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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**Attorney Docket No. SUN-P6430**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE PATENT APPLICATION OF )  
 ) Examiner: Mai, Tan V.  
G. William Walster )  
 ) Group Art Unit: 2124  
Serial No. 10/042,907 )  
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Filing Date: January 8, 2002 )  
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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SOLVING )  
AN EQUALITY CONSTRAINED GLOBAL )  
OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM )

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- ☒ Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to official action mailed November 30, 2004.
- ☐ A petition for extension of time is also enclosed with a fee of \$55.00 for a one-month extension for a small entity.
- ☐ Terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F. R. § 1.321(c), including
  - ☐ check for \$110.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), and
  - ☐ 2 certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- ☐ Information disclosure statement, form 1449 and \_\_\_ references.
- ☒ No additional claims fees are required.

☐ An additional fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

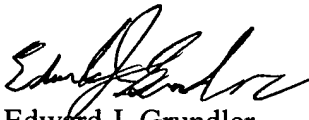
AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS = 20	0	x \$18 =	
Independent Claims		MINUS = 3	0	x \$78 =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>

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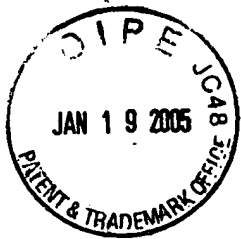
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### AMENDMENT

Sir

In response to the office action of **November 30, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.